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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, Applicant respectfully requests consideration of the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of the references listed are also enclosed.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the references cited on the Form PTO-1449 and indicate that the references have been considered in this application by returning a copy of the Form PTO-1449 with the Examiner's initials in the left column per MPEP 609.

A final Office Action has already been issued in the current Application. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(d), Applicant states that the two publications (Gebauer, *et al.* and Jarosova, *et al.*) listed on the Form PTO-1449 were not cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a

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counterpart foreign application and, to the knowledge of the person signing this paper, after making reasonable inquiry, that these items were not known to any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this paper. In addition, a check in the amount of \$180.00 is enclosed for the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p).

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